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450100-02171**REMARKS**

Claims 1-8 are pending, claims 1, 3, 5, 6 and 8 are independent. In the Office Action, claims 1-8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as allegedly unpatentable over Iitsuka et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,463,151) (hereinafter, merely "Iitsuka").

Following review of Iitsuka it is respectfully submitted that contrary to the Examiner's assertions there is no teaching of a transmitting circuit, "for determining whether the cipher mode and the enciphering information correspond, and when the cipher mode and enciphering information are determined not to correspond transmitting the data enciphered by a different cipher mode to the serial interface bus as packet data in another cycle," as recited in claim 1.

Specifically, the Office Action refers to Col. 8, Ins. 58-62; Col. 10 Ins. 55-58; Col. 11, Ins. 12-16; and Col. 15, Ins. 22-56, as teaching the above-identified features of claim 1. As understood by Applicant, it is respectfully submitted that the relied upon portions of Iitsuka do not teach or suggest the above-identified features.

As understood by Applicant, Col. 8, Ins. 58-62 of Iitsuka refers to the generation of a key used for encryption. Col. 10 Ins. 55-58, refers to temporary storage of a key and outputting of key information to a decryption means. Col. 11, Ins. 12-16 refers simply to a timing of transmission of certain AV data. Finally, Col. 15, Ins. 22-56 appears to refer to rewriting the key of data that was originally provided with a copy one key and has subsequently been copied, to have the key be a copy prohibition, preventing the further copying of the data after having been copied once.

Accordingly, it is believed that the relied upon portions of Iitsuka do not teach each and every limitation of claim 1 because there is no teaching of the above-highlighted features.

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Furthermore, Applicant submits that he relied upon portions of Iitsuka fail to describe "transmitting the data enciphered by a different cipher mode to the serial interface bus as packet data in another cycle." In fact, the relied upon portions of Iitsuka are silent with respect to cycles.

For at least some of the reasons described above with regard to independent claim 1, independent claims 3, 5, 6 and 8 are believed to be patentable.

Claims 2, 4 and 7 depend from one of claims 1, 3, and 6, and, due to such dependency, are also believed to be patentable.

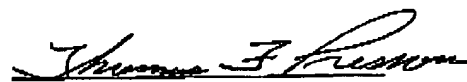
In view of the foregoing remarks, it is believed that all of the claims in this application are patentable over the cited prior art, and early and favorable consideration thereof is solicited.

In the event that the Examiner disagrees with any of the foregoing comments concerning the disclosures in the cited prior art, it is requested that the Examiner indicate where in the reference, or references, there is support for a contrary view.

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